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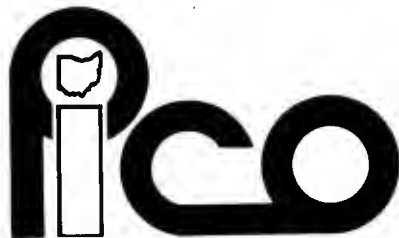
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Editorial

THE PRIMARY CARE NURSE PRACTITIONER (NP)

During the last decade two trends are evident in the field of health care. First there has been a return of emphasis in physician education toward primary care. Secondly there is increasing delegation of primary care responsibilities to non-physicians. Locally the format is reflected in the establishment of NEOUCOM and the family practice center operated jointly by YHA and St. Elizabeth's. The second trend is evidenced in the approval of an Adult Primary Care Nurse Practitioner's Program at St. Elizabeth's with the Mahoning-Shenango Area Health Education Network (MSAHEN).

The contributions of nurses to health care are honored by time. The role of nursing has expanded steadily with the advance of medical science. Nursing activities now include such diverse and specialized activities as public health, epidemiology, coronary care, operation room, and more.

The creation of the "Nurse Practitioner" (NP) as a means of extending the physician's capability is one such innovation. The NP has been viewed as an aide, working under physician supervision, bringing primary care services to such underserved areas as the inner city and remote rural areas.

However, some nursing organizations are now rejecting the role of "physician extender", opting instead to cast the role of the NP as an independent primary care provider in parallel relationships with the physician. In 1976 the American Nurses' Association defined Nurse Practitioner Clinician as a nurse, "Who assesses the physical and psychosocial status of clients by means of interview, health history, physician examination, and diagnostic tests . . . interprets the data, develops and implements Therapeutic plans, and follows through on the continuum of care of clients - - implementing those plans through independent action, counseling, appropriate referrals, health counseling, and collaboration with other health care providers."

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This year, five delegates from Mahoning County arrived in Columbus on Sunday, May 13th for the annual OSMA meeting. Because of increased membership we are now entitled to one more delegate than in previous years.

Ed Pichette, Bill Sovik, John Melnick, Joe Tandatnik, Karl Weineke, Jack Schreiber (delegate to the AMA) and I met with other delegates from the 6th district for our first caucus meeting. We got ourselves organized and then proceeded to the opening meeting of the House of Delegates.

Dr. John Gaughan presided. In his presidential address, he emphasized that in these times of socioeconomic and political unrest, when governmental regulations are forging a wedge between physicians and patients, we must refocus our perspective on the patient—the reason for our existence. Dr. Gaughan warned us of the paraprofessionals who would practice medicine without the rigors of a medical education and pointed out that we must in turn warn the public and our legislators that a deterioration in the quality of medical care is inevitable unless this trend is reversed.

I believe we all feel Dr. Gaughan has been an excellent president. He was elected Delegate to the AMA, and we know he will represent us well at the national level.

Dr. Tom Morgan of Gallipolis was installed as our new president. We wish him well and offer all of our support. In his acceptance speech he stressed the importance of the image of the physician, and will place great emphasis on this during the coming year. He felt that in spite of those who would tear us down, we will prevail on our merits if we continue to do our job well.

Our new president-elect is Bob Thomas from Elyria. Some of us will remember Bob as a pathology resident at Y.H.A.

The low point of the meeting was the failure of our campaign to elect Ed Pichette as Secretary-Treasurer of O.S.M.A. We lost by a slim margin. Ed had wide support and is obviously respected by his colleagues at the state level, but, as they say, you can't win them all.

Ed is to be congratulated for his hard work during the past five years that he has served as councilor of the 6th district. Our views have certainly been heard in Columbus.

Dr. Joseph Yut, Otolaryngologist from Canton, is our new councilor. All of us who have been associated with Joe know that he is a dedicated forceful person who will work hard and represent us well.

Dr. Ned Grable from Canton was re-elected alternate delegate to the AMA. With Jack Schreiber as delegate and Ned as alternate, Ohio and the 6th district will certainly be heard from at the AMA level.

One of the highlights of our annual meeting is always the OMPAC luncheon. Each year we as delegates invite our State Legislators to attend this luncheon as our guests. This year all of our representatives accepted; State Senator Harry Meshel and State Representatives Tom Carney, Tom Gilmartin, Joe Vukovich and Joe Williams. Gov. James Rhodes addressed the group. One certainly felt that Gov. Rhodes was on our side in our struggle for good medicine. He certainly demonstrated this last year when he vetoed the bill that would have given optometrists the right to use diagnostic and some therapeutic drugs.

All of us worked hard on this year's resolutions. Bill Sovik was a member of one of the reference committees. We gave our views in all of the committee hearings. I know that we influenced the outcome of the resolutions.

We certainly missed the presence of Howard Rempes this year. Howard was home recuperating from his recent bout in the hospital. Roy Sullivan, exec. from Stark County, did an excellent job, but I imagine he will be the first one to welcome Howard back next year.

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Editorial . . .

a fee level nearly the same as physicians in some areas. Medicare-Medicaid will pay for NP service under the Rural Health Clinic Service Act.

Should a NP render primary care without a physician's watchful supervision? Should there be independent NP practice in areas not medically destitute? Clearly discussion and debate of the role of the NP is greatly needed in the field of education, certification and licensing of these persons. Their employment, limitations and responsibilities must be carefully considered in the light of the patient's best interests. The goal must be readily accessible medical care of the highest possible quality for the entire population, and at an affordable cost.

—Hai-Shiuh Wang, M.D.
Editor

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Any physician who has completed 150 hours of continuing medical education should send his record to the Ohio State Medical Board at his earliest convenience. The Board urges early reporting in order to avoid an anticipated deluge of records during the final months of 1979.

Physicians have until Dec. 31 to complete the 150 hours required for relicensing. Several comprehensive articles on CME were published in the December issue of the Ohio State Medical Journal. Included was a log of CME activities and a receipt card to be returned to the doctor by the Medical Board. The articles stress that licenses expire on midnight of Dec. 31, and that, by Jan. 1, 1980, in accordance with the law, there will be no more time for compliance.

MEDICAL ASSISTANTS ELECT OFFICERS

The Medical Assistants Society of Mahoning County installed officers at their June 14th meeting at Fonderlac Country Club. Heading the organization for a second term will be president Bety Ann Pershka. Other officers are president-elect, Mary Ann Rushton; recording secretary, Joan Schuchler; corresponding secretary, Kathlynn Feld; and treasurer, Nena LaBarbera. Councilors will be Jacqueline Burley, Bea Collins, June Kyle, Lucille LaCivita, Josephine Sammartino and Candy Shufflebarger.

Retiring officers are Dorothy Klein as recording secretary, June Kyle as corresponding secretary, Mary Ann Rushton as treasurer and Carmel Corradetti as immediate past president. Retiring councilors are Kathylynn Feld, Bea Green and June Boyle. Recognition of both retiring and new officers was made by Marilyn Zehringer, CMA, immediate past president of the Ohio State Society of the American Association of Medical Assistants. Entertainment was provided by Sis Soller.

The advisory board for the Mahoning Chapter consists of Dr. W. H. Evans, chairman, Dr. B. M. Brandmiller, Dr. J. A. Ruiz, and Dr. V. K. Sethi.

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Dr. Caccamo had a leading role in the formation of the medical school, serving as chairman of the Mahoning County Medical Society Medical School Committee ever since its inception, and spearheading a Mahoning County Medical Society drive to raise \$30,000 for a feasibility study that led to the inclusion of Youngstown State University in the medical consortium with Akron and Kent State Universities which became NEOUCOM.

Elected vice chairman was James E. Fleming, M.D., Cleveland internist, who is also a member of the Board of Trustees of Kent State University. Miss Frances McGovern, attorney for Ohio Edison Co., was named secretary. She is a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Akron.

MORE NEOUCOM APPOINTMENTS

Recently named physicians were awarded faculty rank by the Board of Trustees of the Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine. Those from Mahoning County include:

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James M. Kline, D.O.	Instructor of Family Medicine
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Samuel F. Petraglia, M.D.	Instructor of Family Medicine
Frederick A. Resch, M.D.	Instructor of Family Medicine
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Thomas E. Campbell, M.D.	Assistant Professor of Pathology
Larry H. Klein, M.D.	Assistant Professor of Pathology
Charles Waltner, M.D.	Assistant Professor of Psychiatry
Terry L. Cohen, M.D.	Assistant Professor of Radiology

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY ELECTS OFFICERS

Mrs. John Bleacher is the 1979-80 president of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Mahoning County Medical Society. Vice president is Mrs. Robert Bacani and president-elect is Mrs. Rashid Abdu. Mrs. Chander Kohli is corresponding secretary and Mrs. James Kline is treasurer.

The officers and committee chairmen are working on a number of innovative programs for the coming year, including a school C.P.R. program and increased services at the Mahoning County Home.

THANKS TO MRS. BELSAN

The Officers and Council of the Medical Society want to thank Mrs. Betty Balsan for keeping things going at the Medical Society office during Mr. Rempes' illness. They ask members' forbearance on those occasions when she must be out of the office and no one is there to answer the phone.



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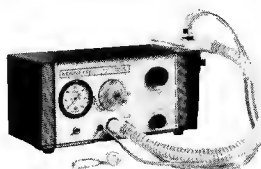
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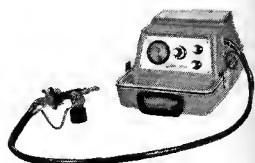


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FORTY YEARS AGO — JULY 1939

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Dr. Harry Patrick used to umpire and no one questioned his decisions. He was tough as the rocks in the field. Sam Klatman used to pitch and it is a wonder his coronary didn't happen there. J. M. Ranz and Hank Osborne would bring their guns and clay pigeons and the non-ball players would test their aim. It was safer there than on the ball field.

In the pavilion it was cool and shady. There were picnic tables and a long bar. Renners kept it well supplied (for free) with their products so that no one was forced to drink water. Here the singers gathered and made beautiful music, not a cappella either, for Ditmansen and the Musical Clowns would show up and "make the welkin ring".

Bert and his helpers would be stoking the fire under the huge steamers. First they would put in a layer of corn, then clams, then chicken and so on until the boilers were full. When the feast was ready they first would serve cups of the steaming delicious broth, then platters of corn, clams, and chicken until everyone was ready to burst.

New members that month were: Joseph Keough, John McDonough, Fred Coombs, A. R. Rosapepe, David Belinky and Vernon Goodwin.

THIRTY YEARS AGO — JULY 1949

From an article in the *Bulletin* about the Medical Society - - "Without actively and enthusiastically supported county societies our public service efforts will lag, public relations programs will deteriorate into mere efforts to obtain publicity, lay educational enterprises will fail, adverse legislation and unscientific cults will prosper and regional and national parent medical organizations will suffer in proportion."

New members welcomed that month were: Howard Mathay and Charles E. Pichette.

TWENTY YEARS AGO — JULY 1959

President Neidus expressed appreciation to the Youngstown *Vindicator* and to Esther Hamilton for her help in presenting our endeavors to the people of Youngstown.

Richard Murray had a most informative article on "Scars in Negroes" with special reference to treatment of keloids. He mentioned the tendency in women of all races to develop unsightly scars after operation in the pre-sternal region and the shoulders.

Arthur Rappoport was Chairman of the Committee for Laboratory Planning of the College of American Pathologists. He composed a Manual distributed to all the Fellows of the College. James Gillis and Harry Haverland participated in the project.

Hendrik Marcella became a member of the Society. Jake Turner was certified by the American Board of Surgery.

TEN YEARS AGO — JULY 1969

This ad was in the *Bulletin* for July, '69:

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This was to avenge the loss to the Dental Society, 18-17 the year before.

D. J. Dallis wondered, in his editorial, if the idea of a Medical School in Youngstown was out of the question after Governor Rhodes prematurely announced his support of an Akron-Canton location for the school.

Blue Cross announced that the Group Insurance Rates for the Medical Society would not be increased for the 1969-70 period. It was the first time in three years that the rate was not increased (and probably the last time since).

New members that month were Rashid A. Abdu and Fernando A. Carbonell. J. J. Sofranec was elected President of the Medical Dental Bureau.

—Robert R. Fisher, M.D.

PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

(excerpts from April, May and June)

The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that council sponsor a sufficient number of inter-resident memberships to the Ohio State Medical Association to give us another delegate. Dr. Klebanoff was appointed chairman of an ad hoc committee to secure sponsored resident memberships.

Dr. Sovik, representative to Blue Cross, reported on the termination of the OSMA lawsuit and discussed the make-up of the new OMI board.

The following applications for membership were presented by the Censors:

ASSOCIATE: Joseph Patrick Ambrose, D.O.
 Anthony C. Cheng, B.M.
 George Her-Ching Lin, M.D.
 Ravinder Nath, M.B.B.S.
 Jacques S. Saint-Julien, M.D.

The applications were approved. Applicants will become members of the Mahoning County Medical Society 15 days after publication in the *Bulletin*, unless objection is filed in writing with the secretary before that time.

A report from the insurance committee noted that new maternity benefits will be added to our group hospitalization as mandated by congress. Basically, maternity must be treated exactly the same as any other medical condition for Blue Cross benefit payments. This will add a nominal cost to our premiums.

A communication was read from the Mahoning County Health Department, outlining a plan using volunteer workers to have elderly persons carry a card listing their medications, both prescribed and over-the-counter. The motion was made, second and duly passed that the Medical Society approve the plan.

Three additional riders to the Blue Cross hospitalization policy were presented and considered. These riders cover ambulance, medical emergency and unlimited outpatient Lab services. These will be added to our Physicians' Blue Cross group policy for the coming year.

Dr. Raghavan was present as Chairman of the Scoliosis Screening Committee of Mahoning County for the Crippled Children's Services of Ohio. The letter to be sent to parents of suspected scoliosis patients was discussed. After much discussion the matter was referred to the screening committee, Dr. A. T. Deramo, chairman. The committee will report on this matter in one month.

Dr. Sovik and Dr. Kiskaddon described two HSA meetings they attended.

It was moved, second and duly passed that the Dean of the Medical School be invited to be an ex-officio member of the Council with no voting privileges. This will help him become acquainted with the problems and views of local physicians.

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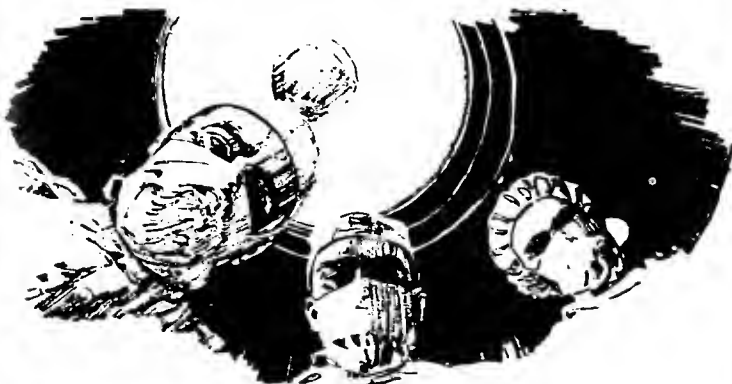
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Dr. Melnick noted that the Mahoning County Medical Society is fortunate in having the original minutes of the Society, going back to the founding of the Society. He proposed that we pursue the possibility of obtaining space in a bank vault in order to keep these records safe from fire. This was moved, seconded and duly passed.

It was announced that the last meeting of the Society before the summer vacation will be held on Friday, May 18 at the Youngstown Club. Representative Lyle Williams will be the speaker. It was suggested that each member make an effort to bring on house staff member with him as his guest.

In the absence of Dr. Klebanoff, Dr. Chiu reported that the Scholarship Dinner had been successful and that he had received thanks from several individuals.

The following applications for membership were presented by the censors:

ACTIVE:

Escarrito U. Sevilla, M.D.

ASSOCIATE:

Stephen Michael Barolsky, M.D.

Terry L. Cohen, M.D.

Emil Stanley Dickstein, M.D.

Galterius A. Grajo, M.D.

The applications were approved. Applicants will become members of the Mahoning County Medical Society 15 days after publication in the *Bulletin*, unless objection is filed in writing with the secretary before that time.

Dr. Klebanoff, chairman of the ad hoc committee to approach residents regarding membership in the Mahoning County Medical Society and the Ohio State Medical Association, reported that 36 intern-resident memberships had been sent to OSMA, which resulted in MCMS having one additional delegate to the State meeting. The method of defraying the expense of \$720 for these memberships was discussed. It was moved, seconded and duly passed that for future years, (1) we request that each hospital give each new house staff member a form inviting him to become a member of the MCMS and OSMA free of charge, and that the hospitals then send these signed forms to the medical society office, and (2) that the cost of house staff memberships in the OSMA be brought before the budget committee when it convenes in the fall. The invitational forms are to be supplied to the hospitals by the Medical Society office.

The new rates for both the Physicians' Hospitalization group and the Medical Assistants' group were noted.

Dr. Melnick reported that the Mahoning Bank will store the Society's original records in their vault at no charge to the Society. It was moved, seconded and duly passed that a letter be written to the Mahoning National Bank requesting vault storage space for our original minutes' books, and stating that we understand there is no fee for this service. Three people are to have access to these records - the current president, the executive secretary and the chairman of the historical committee.

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